

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY

(Wednesday, February 20, 1957)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
February 20, 1957.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. B. No. 161, A bill to be entitled "An Enabling Act to carry into effect the provisions of the proposed amendment adding Section 49c to Article III of the State Constitution; defining certain terms; creating the Texas Water Development Board, and prescribing its composition, powers and duties; authorizing the issuance by the Board of One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000) in state bonds to create the Texas Water Development Fund; providing the method, manner and mechanics of issuing the bonds; authorizing the Board to issue refunding bonds; requiring that moneys from the sale of such bonds and

all other income be deposited in the Texas Water Development Fund; requiring the setting aside of certain funds until December 31, 1982, and thereafter for certain purposes; providing for the deposit of excess moneys in the General Fund; providing for the investment of moneys set aside to secure such bonds; requiring Legislative appropriations to meet deficiencies; declaring such state bonds to be legal investments and free from taxation; authorizing the Board until December 31, 1982, to provide financial assistance to political subdivisions to construct, acquire or improve water conservation projects; requiring approval by the State Board of Water Engineers and setting standards for eligible projects; authorizing eligible projects to apply to the Board for financial assistance; authorizing the Board to give financial assistance from the Fund by the purchase of political subdivision bonds, even though such bonds may be secondary to other bonds; limiting such assistance to not more than Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) or one-third the cost of the project; providing for the Board to require and determine the interest of such bonds; authorizing the Board to require that such political subdivision bonds be secured by revenues or taxes or both; providing for safeguards to protect the investment of moneys of the Fund; requiring partial payments on construction contracts; providing for inspection during construction; authorizing the Board to promulgate rules and regulations; providing for the purchase by the Board of supplies from the Board of Control; providing for the hiring of employees and prescribing certain duties; providing for regular and called meetings; appropriating \$ to pay the expenses of the Board during the remainder of the biennium and setting employees salary standards; providing a savings clause; and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted.

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Senate Resolution 149

Senator Aikin offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Judge and Mrs. Tom L. Beauchamp and Rev. and Mrs. Claude Stinson, of Paris, Texas, are visitors at the Capitol today, and

Whereas, The Senate is delighted to have these distinguished citizens as our guests today; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That they be extended a hearty welcome and the privileges of the floor for today.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Aikin by unanimous consent presented the distinguished guests to the Members of the Senate.

Senate Resolution 150

Senator Colson offered the following resolution:

Whereas, We are honored today to have in the gallery of the Senate, the Civics Club of the Madisonville Junior High School of Madisonville, Madison County, Texas, accompanied by their sponsors, Mr. Wayne Allison and Miss Rosalie Ethridge, and Mrs. A. D. Cole and Mrs. Jack Rogers, and

Whereas, The presence of these young people is evidence of their interest in better citizenship and governmental affairs; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the State of Texas officially recognize and welcome these guests and commend them for their interest; and that a copy of this Resolution, properly endorsed and bearing the official seal of the Senate, be forwarded to each of them in appreciation of their visit.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Colson by unanimous consent presented the students and sponsors to the Members of the Senate.

Senate Resolution 152

Senator Phillips offered the following resolution:

Whereas, We are honored today to have in the gallery the senior class from Needville High School of Needville, Texas, accompanied by government teacher, Mr. Robert W. Jackson; and

Whereas, These students and guests are on an educational tour of the Capitol Building and the Capital City; and

Whereas, These fine young American citizens are here to observe and learn first-hand the workings of their State Government; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we officially recognize and welcome this class and commend them for their interest, and that a copy of this resolution, properly indorsed, bearing the official seal of the Senate, be mailed to them in recognition of their visit.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Phillips by unanimous consent presented the students and Mr. Jackson to the Members of the Senate.

Senate Bills on First Reading

The following bills were introduced, read first time and referred to the committee indicated:

By Senator Moore:

S. B. No. 269, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring a special audit of county records in any county upon a petition of at least thirty per cent (30%) of the qualified voters of the county; providing for the employment of an auditor for such special audit; providing for qualifications, duties and compensation; requiring such audit to be filed with the district court having jurisdiction in the county and the State Auditor; providing this Act shall be cumulative; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Weinert:

S. B. No. 270, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that any statement contained in any affidavit or in any other instrument which has been filed or recorded or both in the office of the County Clerk of the county within which the property affected thereby is situated for five years or more or in the office of the County Clerk of any other county in the State of Texas or in the office of any officer or agency of the State of Texas for fifteen years or more, and any finding of fact or adjudication contained in a judgment of any court of record which concerns any family history or shows who were the legal heirs of any deceased person, shall be received in any suit as prima facie evidence of the family history and the legal heirship of any deceased person so stated, found or adjudicated, provided the original instrument, or a certified copy thereof, or a certified copy of an original record thereof, containing such state-

ment, finding of fact or adjudication be filed among the papers in such suit and notices of such filing be given to all parties in such suit or their attorneys of record therein, at least thirty days before the trial thereof, but, if there be any error in any such statement contained in any such affidavit or instrument, or in any such finding of fact or adjudication contained in any such judgment of a court of record, the true facts may be proved by anyone interested in the proceedings in which any such statement, finding of fact or adjudication is offered in evidence, except that no person legally bound under the common law or any statute of this State by any such statement, finding of fact or adjudication, shall be permitted to controvert such statement, finding of fact or adjudication, and further providing that said Act shall be designated as Article 3726A, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senator Willis:

S. B. No. 271, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the payment of longevity to Texas Highway Patrolmen and other commissioned peace officers of the Texas Department of Public Safety, making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Finance.

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Bracewell, by unanimous consent, submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
February 20, 1957.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred S. B. No. 165, have had same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the Committee Substitute for S. B. No. 165 do pass in lieu thereof, and be printed.

BRACEWELL, Chairman.

C. S. S. B. No. 165 was read the first time.

Austin, Texas,
February 20, 1957.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred S. B. No. 142, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended and be printed.

BRACEWELL, Chairman.

House Bill on First Reading

The following bill received from the House today was read first time and referred to the committee indicated:

H. B. No. 161, To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

House Bill 200 on Second Reading

Senator Reagan moved that the regular order and Senate Rule 116 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended and that H. B. No. 200 be taken up for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 200, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the transfer of title to certain lands to the State Highway Commission consisting of a tract or parcel across Callo del Oso in Nueces County, lying under, along and adjacent to the Causeway and its approaches on State Highway No. 358; providing that this conveyance shall not interfere nor conflict with the rights of the State Game and Fish Commission except that the State Highway Department shall have the

right to take material from said tract without compensation therefor; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

(Senator Martin in Chair.)

House Bill 200 on Third Reading

Senator Reagan moved that the Constitutional Rule and Senate Rule 32 requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 200 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The Presiding Officer then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Parkhouse, by unanimous

consent, submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
February 20, 1957.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation, to whom was referred S. B. No. 10, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

PARKHOUSE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
February 20, 1957.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation, to whom was referred S. B. No. 241, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

PARKHOUSE, Chairman.

Senator Kazen, by unanimous consent, submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
February 19, 1957.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Game and Fish, to whom was referred H. B. No. 241, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

KAZEN, Chairman.

House Bill 277 on Second Reading

Senator Parkhouse moved that regular order and Senate Rule 116 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended and that H. B. No. 277 be taken up for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Gonzalez
Ashley	Hardeman
Bracewell	Hazlewood
Bradshaw	Herring
Colson	Hudson
Fly	Kazen
Fuller	Krueger

Lane	Reagan
Lock	Roberts
Martin	Rogers
Moffett	Secrest
Moore	Smith
Owen	Weinert
Parkhouse	Willis
Phillips	Wood
Ratliff	

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 277, A bill to be entitled "An Act leasing the Texas Hall of State Building located in the City of Dallas, situated in Fair Park, and a park owned by the City of Dallas; providing conditions of the lease; providing that the State Board of Control shall execute the lease; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

House Bill 277 on Third Reading

Senator Parkhouse moved that the Constitutional Rule and Senate Rule 32 requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 277 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The Presiding Officer then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Ashley
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Bracewell	Moffett
Bradshaw	Moore
Colson	Owen
Fly	Parkhouse
Fuller	Phillips
Gonzalez	Ratliff
Hardeman	Reagan
Hazlewood	Roberts
Herring	Rogers
Hudson	Secrest
Kazen	Smith
Krueger	Weinert
Lane	Willis
Lock	Wood
Martin	

Senate Resolution 153

Senator Bracewell offered the following resolution:

Whereas, We are honored today to have in the gallery of the Senate, the Social Studies Class of Pershing Junior High School of Harris County, Houston, Texas, accompanied by their teacher and sponsor, Mr. Jimmie D. Hooten; and

Whereas, These students are on an educational tour of the Capitol Building and the Capital City; and

Whereas, This fine group of young American citizens is here to observe and to learn at first-hand the workings of their State Government; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we officially recognize and welcome these guests and commend them for their interest; and that a copy of this Resolution, properly endorsed, bearing the official seal of the Senate, be mailed to them in recognition of their visit.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Bracewell by unanimous consent presented the students and Mr. Hooten to the Members of the Senate.

House Bill 241 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Phillips and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 241 was ordered not printed.

House Bill 241 on Second Reading

Senator Phillips moved that regular order and Senate Rule 116 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended and that H. B. No. 241 be taken up for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 241, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the hunting or running deer in Brazoria County, Matagorda County, Fort Bend County and Wharton County, by the use of dogs; providing a penalty; providing a repealing clause; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

House Bill 241 on Third Reading

Senator Phillips moved that the Constitutional Rule and Senate Rule 32 requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 241 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The Presiding Officer then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

(President in Chair.)

Bills and Resolutions Signed

The President signed in the presence of the Senate after the captions had been read, the following enrolled bill and resolutions:

S. C. R. No. 31, Relating to Texas Statehood Week and Texas Statehood Day.

S. C. R. No. 8, Granting S. F. Bowser Company permission to sue the State of Texas.

S. C. R. No. 30, Enrolling Clerk to make certain corrections in S. C. R. No. 8.

S. B. No. 96, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 318, Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949, as amended by Chapter 324, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1951, as amended by Chapter 170, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, as amended by Chapter 520, Acts of the 54th Legislature, Regular Session, 1955; providing that the Veterans' Land Board shall be a State Agency; providing that the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall be Chairman of the Board and Administrator of the Veterans' Land Program; providing for the performance of duties and functions by the Chairman of the Board; providing the duties of the Veterans' Land Board;

providing for the bonds of the citizen Board members; providing the compensation of the citizen Board members; and declaring an emergency."

House Bill 140 on Second Reading

Senator Wood moved that the regular order and Senate Rule 116 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended and that H. B. No. 140 be taken up for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 140, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a Court of Domestic Relations for Smith County, Texas; fixing its jurisdiction; conforming the jurisdiction of other Courts thereto; fixing its terms; providing the manner of selection, tenure and compensation of the Judge of said Court; providing the manner of and grounds for the removal of the Judge of said Court; providing for the selection and compensation of a special Judge; providing for the appointment of a Court Reporter and such other officers and investigators as might be necessary and providing for their compensation; providing for appeals to higher courts; providing for the procedure of said Court; providing for the services of certain county and district offices to said Court; containing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

House Bill 140 on Third Reading

Senator Wood moved that the Con-

stitutional Rule and Senate Rule 32 requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 140 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
February 20, 1957.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. C. R. No. 33, Memorializing Congress as to States Rights.

H. J. R. No. 3, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Texas adding a section to be known as Section 49c of Article III, authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds by the State to create the Texas Water Development Fund to provide financial assistance to certain political subdivisions or bodies politic and corporate of the State of Texas in the conservation and development of the water resources of the State; providing for the calling of an election and the publication and issuance for the proclamation therefor."

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

House Bill 129 on Second Reading

Senator Hazlewood moved that regular order and Senate Rule 116 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended and that H. B. No. 129 be taken up for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—30

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hazlewood	Roberts
Herring	Rogers
Hudson	Secrest
Kazen	Smith
Krueger	Weinert
Lane	Willis
Lock	Wood

Nays—1

Hardeman

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 129, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the creation and designation of ground water conservation district No. 3, south of the Canadian River, and validating the creation and election confirming said district; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

House Bill 129 on Third Reading

Senator Hazlewood moved that the Constitutional Rule and Senate Rule 32 requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 129 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—30

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hazlewood	Roberts
Herring	Rogers
Hudson	Secrest
Kazen	Smith
Krueger	Weinert
Lane	Willis
Lock	Wood

Nays—1

Hardeman

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—30

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hazlewood	Roberts
Herring	Rogers
Hudson	Secrest
Kazen	Smith
Krueger	Weinert
Lane	Willis
Lock	Wood

Nays—1

Hardeman

Message from the House

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
February 20, 1957.
Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. J. R. No. 2, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to Article III, Section 51a of the Constitution of Texas, so as to increase the limit on the maximum monthly payment to the needy aged persons from State funds and on the total yearly expenditure out of State funds for assistance to needy aged, needy blind, and needy children."

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

House Bill 203 on Second Reading

Senator Aikin moved that the regular order and Senate Rule 116 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended and that H. B. No. 203 be taken up for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 203, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending House Bill 757, Acts of the 54th Legislature, Regular Session, 1955, ch. 439, p. 1156, relating to fishing in the waters of Caddo Lake so as to delete therefrom the application of said Act to the waters of Caddo Lake in Marion County and to make its provisions applicable only to the waters of Caddo Lake in Harrison County; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

House Bill 203 on Third Reading

Senator Aikin moved that the Constitutional Rule and Senate Rule 32 requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 203 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—31

Aikin	Martin
Ashley	Moffett
Bracewell	Moore
Bradshaw	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Fly	Phillips
Fuller	Ratliff
Gonzalez	Reagan
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers
Herring	Secrest
Hudson	Smith
Kazen	Weinert
Krueger	Willis
Lane	Wood
Lock	

At Ease

The President announced at 11:25 o'clock a.m. that the Senate would stand At Ease for five minutes.

In Legislative Session

The President called the Senate to order as in Legislative Session at 11:30 o'clock a.m.

Executive Session

The President announced that the time had arrived for an Executive Session by motion previously adopted by the Senate on yesterday and directed all those not entitled to attend the Executive Session of the Senate to retire from the Senate Chamber and instructed the Sergeant-at-Arms to close all doors leading from the Chamber.

At the conclusion of the executive session, the Secretary of the Senate informed the Journal Clerk that the Senate had confirmed the following nominations:

To be Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and Houston Ship Channel, for two year term to expire January 10, 1959: J. E. McNary of Houston, Harris County.

To be a member of the State Board of Public Accountancy, for a term to expire September 4, 1957: David H. Speir of Uvalde, Uvalde County.

To be members of the State Board of Tuberculosis Nurse Examiners, for term to expire May 15, 1960, filling unexpired term of Sister Mary Vincent, resigned: Mrs. Travis McNair of Robert Lee, Coke County. For term to expire May 15, 1962: Miss Mildred Blair of Sanatorium, Tom Green County.

To be members of the State Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners, for terms to expire September 7, 1961: Dr. Palmore Currey of Mount Pleasant, Titus County; Fred R. Higginbotham of San Antonio, Bexar County; Mrs. R. E. (Modell) Seagler, of San Angelo, Tom Green County.

To be members of the State Board of Examiners in Optometry, for terms to expire August 11, 1961: Dr. James R. Gill of Waxahachie, Ellis County; Dr. H. A. Harbour of Kerrville, Kerr County.

To be a member of the State Board of Examiners in Optometry, to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Emmett Day, deceased, term to expire August 11, 1957: Dr. N. J. Rogers of Beaumont, Jefferson County.

To be a member of the State Board of Pharmacy, to fill the unexpired term of Shine Philips, resigned, term to expire June 14, 1959: William H. Wood of Midland, Midland County.

To be a member of the State Board of Plumbing Examiners, to fill the unexpired term of J. C. Oliver, resigned, term to expire May 28, 1957: Melvin C. Sueltenfuss of San Antonio, Bexar County.

To be a member of the State Board of Registration for Public Surveyors, to fill the unexpired term of L. V. Norris, resigned, term to expire September 6, 1957: George H. Lacy of Houston, Harris County.

To be a member of the Texas Real Estate Commission, for a term to expire October 5, 1961: Claude D. Wilson of Austin, Travis County.

To be a member of the State Board of Chiropody Examiners, for term to expire August 11, 1961: Dr. Elvis Wirt Dobbs of Houston, Harris County.

To be a member of the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for term to expire August 4, 1961: Dr. M. B. McCoy of Paris, Lamar County.

To be a member of the Industrial Accident Board, for term to expire September 1, 1957: Harold N. (Buddy) Jungmichael of Austin, Travis County.

To be a member and chairman of the Industrial Accident Board, for term to expire September 1, 1961: H. C. Pittman of Waco, McLennan County.

To be members of the State Board of Morticians, for terms to expire May 31, 1961: Jess L. Warren of Abilene, Taylor County; Howard Maxon of El Paso, El Paso County.

To be members of the Veterans' Land Board, for two-year term to expire December 29, 1958: William Gossett of El Campo, Wharton County. For four-year term to expire December 29, 1960: L. E. Page of Carthage, Panola County.

To be member of the State Parks Board, to fill the unexpired term of Lonny F. Fuller, deceased, term to expire May 15, 1957: Ed Kilman of Houston, Harris County.

To be a member of the Teacher Retirement Board of Trustees, for term to expire August 31, 1961: Charles M. Rogers of Amarillo, Potter County.

To be members-at-large, Board of

Trustees, Teacher Retirement System: John V. Wheat of Houston, Harris County, term to expire August 31, 1957; Richard Blalock of Marshall, Harrison County, term to expire August 31, 1959; Leon Stone of Austin, Travis County, term to expire August 31, 1961.

To be Commissioner of Education, for a term beginning June 1, 1957, and ending May 31, 1961: J. W. Edgar of Austin, Travis County.

To be a member of the State Board of Insurance Commissioners, to fill the unexpired term of J. Byron Saunders, term to expire February 10, 1959: John Osorio of Austin, Travis County.

To be a member of the Insurance Commission of Texas, to fill the unexpired term of Garland A. Smith, resigned, term to expire February 10,

1957: Morris Brownlee of Houston, Harris County.

To be a member of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, for a term to expire February 1, 1961: A. C. Turner of Huntsville, Walker County.

To be members of the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, for terms to expire August 26, 1961: Victor L. Kothman of Mason, Mason County; Dr. Charles A. Thompson of Dalhart, Dallam-Hartley County.

In Legislative Session

The President called the Senate to order as in Legislative Session at 12:22 o'clock p.m.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Hardeman the Senate at 12:23 o'clock p.m. adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

In Memory of

Mrs. H. L. Blacklock

Miss Nancy Lee Blacklock

Mrs. Sara Pearson

Mrs. Annie Johnson

Senator Reagan offered the following resolution:

(Senate Resolution 147)

Whereas, The State of Texas and the cities of Corpus Christi and Bishop mourn the untimely passing of four members of one family as a result of an automobile accident; namely, Mrs. H. L. Blacklock, age 56, of Corpus Christi; Miss Nancy Lee Blacklock, age 19, of Corpus Christi; Mrs. Sara Pearson, age 82, of Bishop; Mrs. Annie Johnson, of Corpus Christi; and

Whereas, Mr. H. L. Blacklock, an employee of the Texas Employment Commission, of Corpus Christi, was seriously injured and remains hospitalized; and

Whereas, The people of Corpus Christi and Bishop suffered a great loss due to the deaths of the members of this well known and highly respected family; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the desire of the Fifty-fifth Legislature to pay tribute to these fine citizens and the surviving members of the family; now, therefore, be it further

Resolved, That a page in the permanent Senate Journal be devoted to the recording of this Resolution; and, be it further

Resolved, That enrolled copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the surviving members of this family as a token of respect and sympathy.

The resolution was read and was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

In Memory of
Sam E. Wilson, Jr.

Senator Reagan offered the following resolution:

(Senate Resolution 148)

Whereas, In the passing of Sam E. Wilson, Jr., of Corpus Christi from this earthly life on the 17th day of February, 1957, the State of Texas, and in particular the people of Corpus Christi and Nueces County, suffered an irreparable loss; and

Whereas, The people of Texas and Corpus Christi mourn the passing of this good and unselfish business leader, whose activities during his long and useful life have left an imprint on the life of our state; and

Whereas, Sam E. Wilson, Jr. was born in Jackson, Tennessee, fifty-eight years ago and became a resident of Corpus Christi many years ago; and

Whereas, Sam E. Wilson, Jr. was a pioneer in the development of the South Texas petroleum industry, wildcatting in the Corpus Christi and Houston areas and was, also, a large real estate holder in Corpus Christi and other areas; and

Whereas, He was the owner of the Wilson Building, the J. C. Penney Company Building and the Wilson Tower in Corpus Christi and also owned the majority of Mustang Island; and

Whereas, He was a member of the Independent Petroleum Association, the American Petroleum Institute, Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association, Independent Natural Gas Association, Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association, the Corpus Christi Downtown Lions Club, American Legion, a life member of the United States Chess Club, a 32nd Degree Mason, a member of the Coastal Bend Shrine Club, and a member of the Elks Club; and

Whereas, This outstanding citizen was active in many worthy projects in behalf of his fellow citizens; and

Whereas, Sam E. Wilson, Jr. is survived by his wife, Ada; a daughter, Mrs. Gordon P. Reid of Corpus Christi; a brother, Jack Wilson of Jackson, Tennessee; a brother, Estes Wilson of St. Paul, Minnesota; a sister, Mrs. Louella Wills; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the desire of the Fifty-fifth Legislature to pay tribute to this fine citizen and his family; and, be it further

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today it do so in his memory and that a page in the permanent Senate Journal be devoted to the recording of this Resolution; and, be it further

Resolved, That enrolled copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the surviving members of his family as a token of respect and sympathy.

The resolution was read and was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

In Memory of Will A. Morriss

Senator Hardeman offered the following resolution:
(Senate Resolution 151)

Whereas, In the passing of Will A. Morriss in San Antonio, Texas, on October 21, 1956, the State of Texas lost one of her most distinguished sons; and

Whereas, Mr. Morriss was born on February 9, 1877, in Lavaca County, Texas, and was taken by his parents in 1879 to Johnson Fork of the Guadalupe River in Kerr County where the family engaged in ranching. Mr. Morriss remained on the ranch until he went away to school and his early training and love of ranch life and ranchmen always remained in his heart, which feeling and love was reciprocated by the great ranching industry of Texas; and

Whereas, Mr. Morriss received his LL.B. degree from the University of Texas Law School in June, 1899, following which he moved to San Antonio where he practiced law continuously until his death; and

Whereas, He was married to Miss Annie E. Thomas on February 5, 1902, to which marriage was born one son, Will A. Morriss, Jr., who is a prominent member of the San Antonio Bar. Following the death of his first wife, Mr. Morriss married Miss Reba Baker on May 6, 1933, who also survives him; and

Whereas, Will A. Morriss, Sr., was one of the most colorful lawyers and Texans throughout his long and distinguished career at the bar, during which time he was called on many occasions to serve as special judge of both trial and appellate courts; and

Whereas, By his indefatigable energy and application to duty he was a most respected and admired advocate and adversary at all times. The use of poetry, the Scriptures and the classics were among his tools of expression and were often employed to illustrate principles or for conversational entertainment; and

Whereas, He was humanitarian and altruistic in his outlook upon life and his regard for his fellowman, and it may well be said of him that he never deserted a friend nor was he ever deserted by a friend, and was always ready to lend a helping hand to the needy and to advocate and defend a just and legitimate cause; and

Whereas, Mr. Morriss was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of San Antonio, past commander of the Knights of Pythias and a member of the American, Texas and San Antonio Bar Associations, and is survived by his aforesaid wife and son, together with two grandchildren, and his twin sister, Mrs. O. T. Anderson of Olney, Texas, as well as a host of friends, and it is the desire of the Senate of Texas to recognize his outstanding contributions to his country and state and express its sympathy to the bereaved family and friends of Judge Morriss; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of Texas do hereby express its deep and abiding sympathy to the family of Will A. Morriss, Sr. and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to his family by the Secretary of the Senate under the Seal of the Senate; and be it further

Resolved, That a page in the Senate Journal be set aside as a memorial to Will A. Morriss, Sr., and that when the Senate adjourns today it do so in his memory.

HARDEMAN
GONZALEZ
ASHLEY

Signed—Ben Ramsey, Lieutenant Governor; Aikin, Bracewell, Bradshaw, Colson, Fly, Fuller, Hazlewood, Herring, Hudson, Kazen, Krueger, Lane, Lock, Martin, Moffett, Moore, Owen, Parkhouse, Phillips, Ratliff, Reagan, Roberts, Rogers, Secrest, Smith, Weinert, Willis, Wood.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Ashley and by unanimous consent the names of the Lieutenant Governor and all the senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was then adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.